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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the following information is brought to the Examiner's attention.

The following six documents were cited in a Search Report recently issued by the European Patent Office in connection with a corresponding foreign application.

A copy of the Search Report is enclosed.

British Patent Specification No. 1,127,731.

U.S. Patent No. 4,526,205.

European Patent Publication No. 0 495 483.

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2002/0035832.

German Offenlegungsschrift No. 37 07 803.

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To assist the Examiner in entering the foregoing information into the record, the above-noted documents are cited on the attached form PTO-1449 and copies of the documents are enclosed.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the foregoing information and to acknowledge such consideration by initialling, signing and returning the enclosed additional copy of form PTO-1449.

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